

## At the Busy Corner At the Busy Corner

# A \$250,000 Ribbon Sale

## And We Shared It!

The greatest sale of the year—the decade—the century! It occurred less than a week ago in the auction rooms of Field, Chapman & Fenner. No bankrupt stock—no failure. Far more remarkable than that! It was the selling of the surplus stock of the Phoenix Silk Manufacturing Company, the biggest ribbon mill in the world. Buyers were there from Maine to California, but this concern was the

### Only Washington Store Represented!

We scooped the District! We stole a march on competition that will never be forgotten or forgiven.

### 5,000 Pieces of New Fall Ribbons.

The goods range from cheapness to absolute exclusiveness. Every recent effect is represented—and not a single yard that's older than the current season. The opportunity is too great to let pass. We'll talk ribbons in a strain that has never been sounded. We'll give quantities that have never known any yoke mate but the highest prices—but our prices will bring them to the level of the lowest qualities.

Every color in All-silk, Satin and Gros Grain Ribbons, 11-4 inches wide.... 5c  
Every color in All-silk, Satin and Gros Grain Ribbons, 2 inches wide.... 11c  
Every color in All-silk, Satin and Gros Grain Ribbons, 2 1/2 inches wide.... 15c  
Every color in All-silk, Satin and Gros Grain Ribbons, 3 1/4 inches wide.... 19c  
Every color in All-silk, Satin and Gros Grain Ribbons, 5 inches wide.... 25c

NOTE—These Ribbons haven't a thread in them that isn't silk. They are standard goods and worth almost double these prices, but you know that.

### Two Stunning Fancy Ribbon Items.

There are two big lots of Fancy Ribbons, which aggregate almost a thousand pieces. Every coloring that man has ever invented is among 'em—all the new and exclusive and hard-to-get effects are there—all the latest patterns. They are all silk and worth just double.

LOT ONE is made up of 23-4-in. fancies, worth as high as 25c.... 19c  
LOT TWO is made up of the same grade in greater widths of fancies, worth up to 40c.... 25c

### Unheard-of Prices in Black Satins.

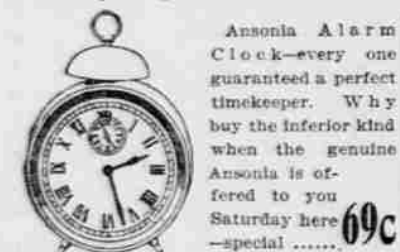
No. 5, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 3c  
No. 7, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 10c  
No. 9, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 12c  
No. 11, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 15c  
No. 13, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 18c  
No. 15, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 21c  
No. 17, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 24c  
No. 19, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 27c  
No. 21, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 30c  
No. 23, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 33c  
No. 25, All-silk double face Black Satin Ribbon..... 36c

### Incomparable Leaders in Black Satin and Gros Grain.

No. 12, Black Satin and Gros Grain All-silk Ribbon, 2 inches wide.... 10c  
No. 14, Black Satin and Gros Grain All-silk Ribbon, 2 1/4 inches wide.... 13c  
No. 16, Black Satin and Gros Grain All-silk Ribbon, 2 3/4 inches wide.... 16c  
No. 18, Black Satin and Gros Grain All-silk Ribbon, 3 inches wide.... 19c  
No. 20, Black Satin and Gros Grain All-silk Ribbon, 3 1/4 inches wide.... 22c

## China and Houseware Doings

Why tell you again how good a value every one of these items are—or how much under every other store's price? It's an old story—this underselling of ours—yet there's always a new and charming aspect to it. But today there's really a novelty in the history—for our bargain tales have always been and always will be chronicles of fact, not fancy—the novelty of climaxing bargains at the very preface—the opening of the season.



Ansonia Alarm Clock—every one guaranteed a perfect timekeeper. Why buy the inferior kind when the genuine Ansonia is offered to you Saturday here—special..... 69c

"The Washington" Incandescent lamp burner, with globe, mantle and corrugated shade. The chimney's designed with a big item of expense. The mantle is first quality and guaranteed to do everything that is promised of it. A lamp that is without a rival in any respect. Never in the world has been sold under a dollar, 35c of them..... 59c

500 No. 1 Mantels; regular 2c value.... 15c  
500 Queen Mantels; regular 2c value.... 19c  
800 Asbestos Loop Mantels, with attached wire; regular 2c value.... 50c  
12 1-lb. bars of good quality Laundry Soap for..... 50c

A quart bottle of good quality Wash Blue, 1c value.... 3c  
Pretty Japanese style table, with consisting of large water carrier, large slop jar and cover and foot tub. This is not the small-sized set so extensively advertised, but worth every cent of \$1.75—the 5 pieces..... 89c

Heavy hot pot covers, with ring, up to 15-inch size, at 2c, 3c, 4c and 5c. Special..... 98c

Mrs. Potts' cold-iron, 5 pieces, special, 42c. Three sizes iron, 6, 7 and 8 lbs. each, with stand and detachable handle, every piece nickel-plated. Everybody else asks 50c—the entire set of 5 pieces Saturday only 42c.

A good zinc washboard, well made, 15c value, for 9c.

Six dozen first quality hardwood selected clothes lines for 5c.

A good, strong clothesline for 5c.

Family-size, well-seasoned, painted cedar washboards, 2 hoop, always 50c; special, 25c.

500 Wash Boilers; good quality tin, with iron handles; copper-painted bottoms; family size; worth 15c..... 19c

"The Challenge" Rubber Roller, with extra selected hard rubber rollers, and frame of well-seasoned hardwood. Manufactured by the American Wringer Company and sold all over Washington for \$1.50. Special..... 98c

### A Slaughter of Men's Underwear.

69c Camel's-hair Underwear..... 39c  
75c Fleece-lined Underwear..... 50c  
75c Natural Wool Underwear..... 50c  
98c All-wool Fleece-lined Underwear..... 79c  
59c Ribbed Fleece-lined Underwear..... 39c  
98c Natural Wool Underwear..... 79c  
98c Camel's-hair Underwear..... 79c  
\$1.25 Derby Ribbed Underwear..... 89c  
\$1 Scarlet Wool Underwear..... 79c  
Lamb's Wool Underwear..... 98c  
Astrakhan Wool Underwear..... \$1.50  
Natural Wool Underwear..... 39c

Pure White Wool Underwear..... 50c  
Natural Wool Underwear..... \$1.39  
Natural Hair Underwear..... \$1.39  
\$2 Natural Wool Double-breasted Shirts..... \$1.50  
\$2 Camel's-hair Double-breasted Shirts..... \$1.50  
Astrakhan Lamb's Wool Scarf Double-breasted Shirts..... \$1.50  
\$1.50 Natural Wool Underwear..... 98c  
\$1.69 Hygiene Wool Fleece-lined Underwear..... \$1.19  
\$1.50 Scarlet Wool, Double-breasted Shirts..... 98c  
\$1.50 Natural Wool Double-breasted Shirts..... 98c  
\$1.50 Astrakhan Wool Underwear, brown and fawn color..... 98c

**S. KANN, SONS & CO.,**

## TROUBLE OVER CONDUITS

Opinion of S. T. Thomas, Attorney for the District.

### NO CAUSE TO INTERFERE

The Commissioners Are Not Concerned in the Controversy Between the United States Electric Lighting and the Potomac Electric Power Companies—Other Municipal News.

The controversy between the United States Electric Lighting Company and the Potomac Electric Power Company over certain conduits of the Postal Telegraph Cable Company in Fourteenth Street, near the Wyatt building, was made the subject yesterday of a lengthy opinion by S. T. Thomas, the attorney for the District.

Some weeks ago the controversy developed, when Capt. A. A. Thomas, president of the United States Electric Lighting Company, complained to the District Commissioners that the Potomac Company had been utilizing these conduits, and had connected with the same. Capt. Thomas maintained that the Potomac officials had no authority to make such connection, and he claimed further that if they had, he would be likely to use the conduits of the Metropolitan Railroad Company to run his company's cable down Four-and-a-half Street. Upon investigation Capt. Beach, the Engineering Commissioner of the District, learned that in one of the vaults under the sidewalk on the west side of Fourteenth Street, the brick arch had been broken and two cables brought through the opening. These were apparently from the conduit of the Postal Telegraph Cable Company, and were traced to the room containing the electric motors of the Wyatt building's elevators.

The Commissioners then referred the matter to Attorney Thomas, who shortly after received a letter from the Potomac Electric Power Company, through James B. Lacey, its secretary, stating that in November last the service of the United States Electric Lighting Company was crippled by reason of a fire at the company's plant, and that application was made to the Potomac company by the Postal Telegraph Cable Company, which was seriously inconvenienced by the occurrence, for connection with the former company's lines. At that time, Mr. Lacey states, the connection could only be made through the conduits of the Postal company, by joining the two conduits at the corner of Fourteenth Street and New York Avenue.

The opinion of Attorney Thomas reads in part as follows: "Since the time in this case was referred to me I have received a letter from James B. Lacey, secretary of the Potomac Electric Power Company, wherein it is claimed that the company is a joint owner of the conduit. The use of this conduit for electric lighting purposes was the subject of a Senate resolution, from which it appears that the plan of the cables of the Potomac Electric Power Company therein was with the knowledge of the Commissioners. There are but two questions involved in this matter, first, whether the conduit on Fourteenth Street is legal, and second, whether it was necessary for the Potomac Electric Power Company to have a permit from the Commissioners to make the connection complained of with the motor in the Wyatt Building."

Regarding the first question, Attorney Thomas says that a clause in the deficiency bill legalized all existing conduits within the fire limits, whether for telegraph, telephone, or electric lighting service.

In disposing of the second question, the attorney says: "House connections are authorized, and this connection is, as I understand it, simply a house connection, so that the controversy is reduced to the point that the Potomac Electric Power Company made the connection without a permit. The company should have obtained a permit to make the connection in question, and but for the act of July 8, 1898, legalizing these conduits, the Commissioners could, by proper proceedings, enjoin the use of it. However, since the passage of said act a permit would have been granted for a house connection, the result seems to be no necessity for any action by the Commissioners."

### NO FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE.

It Was Suggested That All Liquor Be Analyzed.

Thomas W. Gilmer, of this city, favors analyzing malt and spirituous liquors before they are sold to the citizens of the National Capital, and, with a view to securing legislation towards that end, he recently wrote a letter to the Commissioners, asking them to include in their annual budget of estimates for the maintenance of the government of the District during the next fiscal year, an item to enable them to test the liquors sold by the dealers of this city.

### MUST PAY THE RENT.

James G. Naylor's Complaint Is of No Avail.

S. T. Thomas, the attorney for the District, yesterday rendered an opinion in the matter of the payment of certain water rent charges for premises belonging to James G. Naylor, of No. 45 M Street northwest. It was as follows: "As I understand the case, Mr. Naylor's tenant from May to about September, 1898, conducted a lunch room in said premises, and was charged water rent from July 1, 1898, at the rate of \$8 per month. The judge Scott said that there were many things in favor of the defendants, and therefore, he imposed the lowest possible fine, \$15 each.

### SMALL FINES IMPOSED.

The Case of Jacob Speldt Against the Marmadukes.

The trial of William N. Marmaduke and Milton M. Marmaduke, ticket brokers, charged with assaulting Jacob Speldt, also a ticket broker, in front of the former's place of business, under the National Hotel, on the afternoon of September 1, occurred in Police Court yesterday.

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the finest beer always. Drink the "Munich" Beer. Purest, oldest, best. Two dozen bottles, \$1.25. Write or phone 222, oct-1

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We've let loose the "dogs of war" upon high-priced clothing concerns—and are underselling them upon all sides.

### The Finest Tailor-made Clothing in America.

is only what we handle, and our stupendous price-cutting knocks competitors sky high.

### Match This Matchless Merchandising!

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Fall Overcoats, worth \$8 and \$10, \$4.65.

Just good thing to be able to get value for the money. These overcoats just now at this phenomenal low price. These garments are elegantly made, having all the excellent features of those costing \$10. We'll sell 'em at..... \$4.65

Overcoats, worth \$20, at \$7.85.

Never in the history of the clothing business were such startling values offered. Handsome overcoats, mottos and chevrons, overcoats, satin linings and twisted silk sleeves; a bargain of undisputed worth..... \$7.85

Men's Good Cassimere Suits, \$2.87.

Not the price of making a coat. These are marvelous times for marvelous values. But this suit stands pre-eminent among all clothing values at..... \$2.87

Men's Cheviot Suits, \$4.87.

These fine suits come in black and blue chevrons—whose wearing qualities are very well known. They are made up and trimmed in first class style, and cannot be duplicated anywhere at less than \$8 or \$10..... \$4.87

Men's strong Working Pants worth \$1.50 at..... 68c

Men's worsted trousers in fine quality fabric—such as you'd pay ordinarily \$2.50 for..... \$1.68

\$5 Young Men's Suit \$3.37.

Cannot be beaten at double the price we ask..... \$3.37

Regular 4.00 Silk Vests..... \$1.65

200 Sample Hats for men, in all the fall blocks and most recent shades—including black—worth \$2 and \$2.50..... 98c

Children's Suits, \$7.8c

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Cash or Credit—"The Great Providers"—Cash or Credit

## Building Up Our Clothing Business.

We have been carefully studying out the situation in the clothing business and shaping our Clothing Department so that you shall look upon it as the one place in town

—where you can get what you want without having energetic salesmen trying to sell you what you don't want;  
—where you know beforehand what you will pay, and know just what you can get for the amount of money determined on;  
—where you know that a perfect fit is an assured fact;  
—where you know that the quality of the goods is entirely dependable and the workmanship all that can be desired;

—where you know that you are safe to find nothing but the correct styles of the season;  
—where you know that the prices are the lowest that can be made on each particular class of goods;  
—where you can always get credit.

Living up to these rules, as we shall do, we feel confident of meriting your esteem and encouragement. We have laid in an exceptionally fine stock, and are prepared to fill your clothing wants to your absolute satisfaction and to the benefit of your pocket-book.

### Our line of Men's Suits at \$5.50.

Before you buy a suit compare it with our prices and qualities. That is all we ask. These suits are blue and black twill Cheviot. They are well made suits and the wear they give will surprise you.

### Our line of Men's Suits at \$7.50.

A very good assortment of Clay Worsted Suits. The linings and trimmings and all the little details are most carefully looked after. Remember we guarantee a fit.

### Our line of Men's Suits at \$8.50.

In this line are stylish fancy Cassimere of undoubted quality. You can tell at a glance that they are not a cheap quality although the price is so low.

### Our line of Men's Suits at \$10.00.

Fine fancy Worsted Dress Suits, made as they should be. Suits that the most particular men cannot find an objection to. You cannot compare them with anything but the best custom made.

### Our line of Top Coats at \$8.75.

Fine Coat Cloth Fall weight Coats, the style and make are unsurpassed. We know that this line will please you more than a little.

### Our line of Men's Trousers at \$1.98.

An almost endless variety of the newest patterns in stylish fancy worsteds. They are cut right and hang as if made to your measure.

### Our line of Ladies' Seal Plush Capes.

The prices start at \$2.50 and a prettier assortment was never placed before you. We can safely recommend the quality and know that our prices cannot be approached.

### Our line of Ladies' Skirts at \$1.48.

A line we are proud of. Fine, figured, brilliant, made well, hang perfectly-lined and bound. This is a champion value.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$9.50.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$12.50.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$15.00.

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### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$17.50.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$20.00.

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### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$22.50.

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### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$25.00.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$27.50.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$30.00.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$32.50.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$35.00.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$37.50.

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### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$40.00.

Fine Tailor-made Goods in the most stylish cloths. Plain colors and mixtures. The Jackets are new style, and lined throughout with silk. The Skirts full width, lined and bound with velvet. You cannot match them at this price.

### Our line of Ladies' Suits at \$42.50.